





# WAR-OFFICE—June 8.

Sir Thomas Wallace Dunlop's Regiment of Fusible Infantry. Quarter-Master John Moon, from the half pay of Sir Vere Hunt's late levy, to be Quarter-Master, vice Pitchford, whose appointment does not take place.

Adjutant Alexander Campbell, from the half pay of the late loyal British fencibles, to be adjutant, vice Adams, who is removed from the service.

Colonel M'Neill's Regiment of Fusible Infantry. George Jack, Esq. to be Captain, vice Campbell, whose appointment does not take place.

Lieutenant John Campbell, from the half-pay of the 3d West India regiment, to be Lieutenant, vice Jack, whose appointment does not take place.

Lieutenant John Campbell to be Quarter-Master, vice Moon, whose appointment does not take place.

Lyndale Company of Independent-Infantry. John Macdonald, to be Ensign, vice Macdonald, promoted in the regiment of the Isles.

Mid-Lancashire Volunteer Artillery. Adjutant Houston Rigg Brown to be Captain-Lieutenant, vice Campbell, who resigns.

## HOUSE OF COMMONS—June 7.

### SUBSIDY TO RUSSIA.

Mr Pitt moved, that the King's message of yesterday should be read.

Mr BRAGGS took his place as Chairman of the Committee of Supply.

Mr Pitt said, that though the motion which he had to make was such as to lead to some increase of our expenditure, he should have pleasure in meeting at once what he conceived to be the feeling of this country and of Europe. That feeling had lately been revived, and had been revived chiefly through the wisdom and magnanimity of the Emperor of Russia had already made an impression on the common enemy, and bade fair to extricate a great part of Europe from a situation of misery and of danger, which in history had no parallel. Every reliance was to be placed on the continuance of those efforts, and every man who took an enlarged view of the state of Europe would be happy to contribute to the extension and confirmation of the means and resources by which this had been effected. There was already a cheering prospect offered of the restoration of the balance of power, and of the return of lawful power and of legitimate sway. It must be the wish of every Englishman to stem the baneful torrent which had deluged the greater part of Europe, and to contribute to that end, of which expectations so flattering were already entertained.

The sense of this country had manifested itself when others of our allies had relinquished the pursuit, and when they had retired, we had shown our determination to do justice to ourselves. We had made it evident to the world that we were ready to abide every hazard, rather than abandon our honour, by submitting to a shameful compromise. It would be inconsistent with the character which we had hitherto maintained, if at this crisis we were to refuse our aid, when the safety and security of Europe was at stake. He should therefore move, in the terms of the message, that a subsidy of 825,000, be granted to his Majesty for the maintenance of 45,000 Russian troops—225,000, as preparation money—75,000, to be paid monthly, and a further monthly sum of 37,500, to be paid whenever a peace was concluded by the common assent of the contracting parties. The first sum which he had mentioned, to cover this expense, must of course be added to the supply of the year. It was evident, that, under the present circumstances, we should carry our efforts something further than mere system of self-defence. He should, therefore, proceed on this system of enlarged prudence, by moving also for a vote of credit for three millions, the particular application of which it would be improper to state, but which should be employed as exigencies may require.

Mr TIERNNEY desired to know what was to be understood by the deliverance of Europe?—If it was meant to preserve the independence of the several states, and to curb the ambition of any overweening power, he should certainly have no objection; but he could not consent to vote away the money of his constituents on a loose and undefined principle, which may change its complexion as often as circumstances may require. If it were stated that France was to be driven within her ancient limits, and that a peace was to be expected whenever she was reduced to the *status quo*, he should have no objection to the subsidy. He did not now oppose it merely because the money was to be sent abroad: He was, on the contrary, of opinion, that there was more of economy in hiring foreign troops, and it was always gratifying to his feelings to spare the effusion of English blood. But in what way was Russia to contribute to the deliverance of Europe? How were we to be assured that she had not also her views of ambition and aggrandisement? Again, if Russia chose to interfere, why did it follow that England was to pay for her interference? Though he was earnest in his wishes for peace, and though he by no means desired to be regarded as thwarting the measures of the Minister, he lamented that we were to be drawn further on in this war, where so many millions, and so much blood, had been fruitlessly expended in a war against opinions, and for a something which was even yet undefined. The Cabinet Ministers, he understood, differed with each other in opinions; some were for taking something more, others less. The only rational object, in his opinion, was the safety of the interests of England. He should not object to a subsidy, if it were proved that it would contribute to the general security of Europe; but he could not consent to vote away such large sums, for objects which were not explained, and which he therefore could not comprehend.

Mr Pitt in explanation observed, that the payments to be made were of three classes. The instalments on the first were to accompany the monthly payments, and to keep pace, of course, with the efforts of our ally. The third was not to be paid until after the conclusion of a peace. These forces, he was not ashamed to repeat the word, were to be employed for the deliverance of Europe; and to accelerate a secure and honourable peace. How the deliverance of Europe was to be effected could not be specifically stated, though it might be generally comprehended. We knew that Europe suffered, and was in danger from the power and system of the French Republic, and it was our interest to rescue it, if possible from that insupportable tyranny. In this view we could not but regard the conduct of Russia as friendly. There were other powers, which, no doubt, had been actuated by a selfish policy: But Russia had in this instance turned her efforts from her natural enemies, the Turks, and directed her disinterested efforts to release the neck of Europe from the yoke of the common enemy. The efforts of his Majesty's Ministers, in the seven years of the present war, had at least shown that they were agreed upon one point, and that was, to restrain the inordinate power of France. They knew that our safety was combined with that of Eu-

rope, and that if Europe was absorbed in the vortex of her principles, we should be involved in the common danger. He could not acquiesce in the position that our safety would be ensured if France was once driven within her ancient limits. Our safety was not to be established by any limits, or our repose to be secured, whilst the Government of that country retained its present system, and its present character of inveterate hostility. Here there could be no shade of difference, and he wished the world to understand, that we did not contend for any territorial possession, but that whenever the enemy changed his present views, his character, and his conduct, we should be most sincerely anxious for a general pacification.

Mr TIERNNEY said, that after seven years of war, he saw that we were now to be embarked in a new contest, wherein English blood was to be flaked against French principles. He did not mean to speak with any respect of the republic, or to couple even the name of France with that of liberty. Every principle of freedom had been injured by the extravagance which had prevailed in that country. He did not seek any popularity by condemning the practices of the French rulers; on the contrary, he was ready to confess his regret, and the disappointment of those hopes which he entertained from the first dawnings of the French revolution. He now mourned what he once had loved. The boundaries of France he conceived, however, to be of much more importance than her opinions. Were she left to prey upon herself, a spirit would arise, by much more dangerous in its nature to the new Government than any which we could excite by our subsidies.

Mr Pitt said, that he could not be silent under the interpretation which had been put on his words. It was not his wish to dictate a Government to France, or to restore the ancient monarchy. He had dwelt only on the character of the present Government, in order to show that it could give no assurance of our national safety. He had mentioned its inherent character, which spoke that it was hostile to all established Governments, but most of all to ours, as the best in existence. It was incumbent upon us, therefore, to look to their force, their revenue, and their population, and not only to consider their means, but their end! It was not his wish to wage a war against abstract principles, or to arm against the opinions of schoolmen in their closets. But when these opinions were propagated by the sword—when he found them embodied and embodied, then undoubtedly they could only be refuted by the same means. These opinions were the cause of the evils which had for so many years afflicted Europe; he could not, therefore, consent to leave them on the throne of power;—let them retire to the cell of solitude or repentance, he cared not which, and the warfare was at an end. He did not wish to carry on a war against the rights or liberties, as they were termed, of any people; but he wished to annihilate the danger of their system, and to turn aside the menaces of their rulers; whose principles, whether dissembled or avowed, had ever been the same; and it were better to have a year or two of protracted war, than to trust to them for an insecure peace, the saddest result of which would be a speedy return of the contest.

The SECRETARY at WAR rose to support the motion; and, first, he said, he would answer that question which was now put, and which had so often been put before and answered, which was, what was the object of the war? He had no hesitation in saying, peace. We were at war with France because we could not be at peace with her. The security for peace must always depend on the different degrees of power, and the condition, whether commercial, military, or naval, connected with that state with which you conclude a peace. France not only manifests her hostility towards England by acts of aggression, and invasion of her territories, but openly and avowedly declares that the destruction of Great Britain is her chief and most vigorous aim. France, though driven within her ancient limits, with a population of 24 millions, and within her own frontiers, yet with a nation of soldiers, bred and trained to rapine and murder, must still be a formidable power, acting upon her principles of revolution and ruin; for wherever she carried her arms, there she carried havoc and desolation. In such a position of public affairs, Europe could never be possessed of an hour's security. The system of liberty, as founded on their principles of the Rights of Man, of universal suffrage, of elective assemblies, could never give any rational security for internal peace, nor external security. Under this specious name they were driven as sheep, under their usurping despots, and deluded with the show of liberty. Should a moment's apparent calm serene the face of things, yet, like a volcano, their principles would burst forth, and, with a volley, over-run the rest of Europe. Their principles led to nothing short of a succession of violence, rapine, and universal aggrandisement. His opinion then was, that nothing but a liberal restoration of their ancient Government, not founded on the absurd and mistaken Rights of Man, but on the ancient constitution of Europe, can restore that country to a condition in which security against aggression, and the prospect of a permanent peace, can be found.

Should he be asked, whether he would go that extent before he would consent to sign a treaty of peace with France, he would answer, that must depend eventually on the succession of affairs, and their ultimate issue; but he would assert, that every form of government, short of the ancient monarchy of France, must and would degenerate into the revolutionary, as long as it was constructed on their principles, where the greatest degree of power would ever be determined by the greatest violence. He had no scruples then in fully asserting, that the ancient monarchy of France was that form, which, as most congenial to the temper and character of the country, gave the greatest degree of security; a form that would grow out of the soil—out of the roots and stocks of their own establishments and ancient usages. When his Right Hon. friend had spoken of the deliverance of Europe, he spoke a language clear and intelligible, even to enslaved and tyrannized France. The monarchy had on its side the wishes of the majority of the country. He traced out even the dawn and return of that liberty in the approach of Marshal Suvarrow. Under his approach, the people now begin to speak out, and publish that they have hitherto been enslaved and sold, and the Councils begin to breathe a more free spirit than before, as if under the re-assurance of their former liberty. He expressed a wish that some of those Gentlemen were now present who were so ready to speak of the old despotism of France, and of that bloody tyrant Louis XVI. What must those Gentlemen now say to the despots that had succeeded? What were the former to those mild and gentle rulers who filled their places?—Such language he thought fitter for alcoholics, than grave and rational assemblies of men.—France, under her monarchy, was once a flourishing

and distinguished nation; and though, as an Englishman, he could wish to cherish an honest prejudice against a hostile country, yet he would maintain that France had a much greater probability of re-establishing her former grandeur under that form of government, than ever she could expect to arrive at under her republican system.

Sir WILLIAM PULTNEY objected to defining the object of the war, and thought that all such conversation, as touched on forms of government with respect to France should be particularly avoided, as it would make the French people we intended to force a particular form of government upon them. On the supply he had no objection to vote, but thought the application should be better guarded than directing it to such purposes.

Mr TIERNNEY harangued with much warmth against the declaration of the object of the war, as stated by the Hon. Secretary to be the restoration of monarchy in France; and declared that he would give no vote for any supply until that Right Hon. Gentleman would come down to the House and recant his opinion.

The SECRETARY at WAR explained his reasons for giving a preference to that form of Government in France, because in no other form could equal security be found; and because, after standing the test for fourteen centuries, it was but just to infer it was the form of limited monarchy most desirable to the people themselves. He did not bind this country only to make peace with a monarchy, but insisted that every other peace was comparatively precarious.

The CHANCELLOR of the EXCHEQUER expressed the satisfaction that all felt from the speech of his Honourable Friend, the Secretary at War. The conduct of peace and war, he observed, must be regulated by the degree of danger. On former negotiations he felt much anxiety for the result, because the country felt the pressure of the war, and he then sincerely hoped that the result would be peace. He confessed, with equal sincerity too, that though that negotiation did not terminate in peace, yet in the event he was not sorry. There are periods in which the dignity, the wisdom, and foresight of men must submit to the inclinations of those who, from indolence, from interest, from fear, and other motives, thwart and oppose their designs, and to whom, for good reasons, they must yield, though with reluctance. That period did then exist. There existed also some favourable features in the Government of France, as inclining to amendment, and this was first announced in his Majesty's speech, which marked the union of the jarring interests, which had then ceased.—His Majesty's Ministers did not then see, what since they have seen, that as long as a single germ of revolutionary matter remains in their system, there can be no peace. That period was shortly succeeded by a confirmation of tyranny, and was as bloody a period as any in France. Could any man then be found who would wish to accept of peace from a power who could have acted so tyrannically as France had done on the 4th of September, that memorable day of their tyrannical proceedings against their legislative bodies? He was now to avow, that he was glad, however sincerely he might then wish for peace, that that negotiation had not succeeded; as her subsequent conduct had shown to America, when the tore off the last rag that veiled her deformity, what were her views and expectations with respect to England. He rejoiced now that peace was not then made, as it must have proved the source of disappointment, duplicity on the part of France, and remediless vexation, perhaps, on the part of this country.

Mr Pitt then moved the first resolution, granting the sum of 825,000, to enable his Majesty to make good his engagement with the Emperor of Russia.

He then moved the sum of three millions, to enable his Majesty to enter into such further engagements as may be necessary for the further prosecution of the war.

These two resolutions were agreed to, and the report ordered for to-morrow.

### THE BUDGET.

In a Committee of Ways and Means, Mr Pitt said, that, after the discussion which had taken place, he should not enter much at large on the subject. That discussion had embraced the principal variation under the head of Supply, which had occurred since he had addressed the House in December last. There were some slight variations which he should have occasion to notice; but, on the whole, and notwithstanding the increase of expenditure, he had to congratulate the House on the changes which had taken place as to circumstances abroad, and to our internal situation. He had on this occasion little more to do than to recapitulate the different heads for service for the year 1799, which he had brought forward on a former occasion. The ordinaries and extraordinaries of the navy he had then taken, including the expenses of prisoners, and of the Transport Board, at 13,653,000. He took, it was to be observed, the expenses at 7l. a man per month, including all allowances. The accounts being now made up, he had the satisfaction to state, that there had been a diminution of the navy debt, amounting to 903,000, and that six months of the current year being nearly passed, it appeared that though our naval expenditure was on a large scale, 500,000, more than what was wanted had been called for by the estimate. The actual expense of the navy would therefore not exceed 12,250,000. The expenses of the army had been taken at 9,309,000, but as 469,000, of this sum was for the service of Ireland, and to be paid for by that country, the net expense would be reduced to 8,840,000. The vote of credit was then for one million; but although two millions were now to be added, to answer unforeseen demands, this, for a reason which he should shortly state, would make no real difference in the amount. The ordinance had been estimated at 2,170,000, and the miscellaneous services at 270,000. In those articles, as the accounts now stood, there was no difference worth stating. The interest to be paid to the Bank was 565,000. It was now 100,000, less, but as this was to be added to other items, he should not enter particularly into the difference. The deficiency of the ways and means, or, in other words, the discount on the loan and the lottery, amounted to 201,000. The interest on Exchequer bills to 90,000. The general deficiency of the ways and means to 528,000.

There was another material article in the aids for the last year, under the head of assessed taxes, which had been taken at 7,500,000, but which, after the modifications which they had undergone, had produced little more than four millions. The deficiency had however, been made up by the tax upon convicts, which he could now confidently take at 1,500,000, and by the voluntary contributions, which had reached beyond two millions. A new and more efficient tax upon income had this year been adopted by Parliament; and there could therefore be no occasion to call on the voluntary zeal of the country; but he could not but mention his grateful recollection of the enthusiasm which was manifested in making these contributions, at the very time

when it was stated that the country was unequal to the load of assessed taxes. It had proved, that neither distance nor absence could weaken the attachment of an Englishman to his native country. Even from India, a quarter where persons were generally supposed to go with interested views, the returns had not been less than 300,000, which was certainly a full tenth of those who contributed.

Another article consisted of the unsatisfied services for 1797, which, though discharged from the growing produce of the Consolidated Fund, was here to stand on the debtor side of the account. The balances of accounts were 303,000. The expenses of the Commission for liquidating the National Debt, 30,000, the deficiency of land and malt, 498,000; the subsidy to the Emperor of Russia, 825,000; and for liquidating the National Debt, the annual sum of 200,000.

There was also the vote of credit for three millions; but which, as it was to be raised by Exchequer Bills, as occasion may require, he should not take into the account. The other sums, when added, would be found to amount to 30,947,000, being the total of the Supply. He did not pretend to state this accurately, as he had omitted the fractions, and might have passed over some of the smaller sums. On the side of the Ways and Means, he should first take the land and malt, as usual, at 2,750,000, and the lottery at 200,000.

The next article was the growing produce of the Consolidated Fund, from which, after paying two quarters of the Imperial Annuities, there still remained a surplus of 521,000. The convy tax, as he had stated before, he should state at a million and a half. The next, and the most important article, was the income tax, of which, as the accounts were not wholly made up, he could say nothing decisive; but as the commercial returns, which were taken at four millions, had produced no more than half that sum, he should only take credit, on the whole, for 7,500,000. It was probable that the returns may be greater from other quarters, or that those which were made, may, on examination, produce more; but he still thought it right, in this point of view, to limit his expectations. He desired, however, that he might be understood as by no means relinquishing his original idea; on the contrary, he felt the strongest conviction that the tax, when amended and enforced, would produce the full sum of ten millions, at which it had originally been calculated. The instalments on the assessed taxes, which came into the current year, had amounted to 650,000. The whole of the assessed taxes, &c. after paying the interest on the eight millions advanced last year, left a residue of 7,322,000. When to the sums applicable to the services of the year was added the loan of 15,000,000, the total would be found to be 31,000,000. He had not provided, as he had before stated, for the three millions vote of credit, because he found that they could be most cheaply raised by Exchequer bills, which could be issued at discretion, and which, since the navy bills were taken out of the market, were never found to be at a discount. They would, in fact, be absorbed by the payments on the loan and the income tax.

He then proceeded to dwell in expressions of strong satisfaction on the terms of the late loan. He had offered 12½. 3 per cents. and 50l. reduced, for every 100l. and the competition was to be in long annuities. It so happened, however, that three of the parties engaged in the competition had agreed to take the offer without any portion of the long annuities. The stock then, taken at the market price, was worth 97l. 6s. 10d. to which, if the discount 2l. 6s. 6d. was added, it would make 99l. 13s. 4d. There was here no dispute about the bonus given on former occasions. The lender had a full confidence in Government, and from what since occurred, he trusted that they were not likely to suffer from that confidence. It now remained to be seen what were to be the permanent charges on this loan, and these, he trusted, would appear to the Committee to be comparatively small. The sinking fund, with the additional 1 per cent. would be found sufficient to liquidate four millions and a half of the loan. There remained, therefore, to provide for the interest only of 11 millions. This interest amounted to nearly 837,000, but of this sum, 521,000, was already provided for by the growing produce of the consolidated fund. All that remained therefore for interest and charges was the sum of 316,000, which, he trusted, may be raised, not so much in the way of a tax upon, as of a relief to this country. He should propose, in the first instance, a diminution of the drawback on sugars exported from this country, according to their several qualities. On the average, it would not exceed more than 2s. 6d. per cwt. in addition to the 4s. already withheld. This would produce the sum of 115,000, per ann. The next tax was a duty of 4s. per cwt. on coffee exported, which would produce a sum of 65,000. The next was a small duty of 8d. per cwt. on raw sugars imported, which would amount to 96,000. The only duty which remained was a stamp of 2d. on banker's small notes.—He could not say what the precise amount of this would be; it had been taken at 62,000, but he should calculate it only at 40,000, which would sufficiently answer his purpose.

It was with infinite satisfaction that he announced this as the result of the liberal and efficient system which had lately taken place of raising a large part of the supplies within the year, and of borrowing no more than may be liquidated by the uniform operation of the sinking fund, and raised within the year. The charges of the war in this year had amounted to 25 millions, but when thus distributed, there was no more than 11,000,000, mortgaged on the following year; and if the war should continue, it was scarcely probable that more than 10,000,000, could be entailed on the year which was to follow. The taxes which were to be brought forward, amounted to little more than 300,000, per ann. and after this, could any man enter on a comparison between the prosecution of the war and the acceptance of an insecure and dishonourable peace? He had now ascertained our resources, and that to a degree of certainty, which was invaluable.

When the assessed taxes were brought forward, it was said that we should put to hazard our permanent revenue, our trade and manufactures. But what was in fact the result? The permanent taxes last year had produced 14,275,000, which was beyond their produce in the prosperous year 1792. Our imports in 1797 amounted to 21,000,000. Last year they arose to 25,000,000. Our exports in 1797 amounted to 17,000,000. Last year they ascended to 19,000,000. Whilst our trade was thus improved, public confidence strengthened, and our resources extended, there was certainly no reason why we should shrink from the contest in which we were engaged, or abandon that financial system which had been productive of so many happy effects.

Mr Pitt then took a long and retrospective view of



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Private accounts from Pulo Penang, dated in Febru... ary, state that the Armenia and Charlotte, two ships... fitted from Bombay to cruise against the enemy, had... taken a French privateer off Negapatam, after an action... of 35 minutes. Her cargo is reported to be very va... lauable, being the choice part of several ships she had... captured, and was on her return to Port Louis when... she was taken by the above ships.

The Penelope cutter, Lieutenant Daniel Hamline, has... taken a very valuable Spanish ship from South A... merica, with 25 tons of quicksilver, stuffs, silks, and... satins, and carried her into Gibraltar.

The Elgin regiment of fencible infantry, at present... quartered in Limerick (through their Major) made an... offer to his Majesty to extend their services to any part... of Europe. The Duke of Portland, by his Majesty's... command, has signified to the Commanding Officer, the... high fense his Majesty entertains of their public spi... rited conduct at this important crisis.

Plymouth letters state, that on the 24th ult. two... ships of the line failed from Brest; that on the 31st, two... fail of the line lay in the outer road, and that a no... ther ship of the same description was towing out by... numerous boats to join them, as was alleged, to pro... ceed to Ireland.

A letter from Plymouth, dated the 7th inst. says, —A... sloop cartel from Morlaix, which left yesterday morn... ing, brings advice, that the public mind is in the great... est agitation; the multitude crying out against the Go... vernment, and their partizans only able to avert the... threatened convulsions by entreaties to wait the o... perations of the fleet, which appears the last stake of... the Executive Directory. The recent confiscation is... most rigorously enforced, and seafaring men are... daily marched, handcuffed and thumlocked to the... ports.

**COLONEL HARVEY ASTON.**

PARTICULARS RESPECTING THE DEATH OF THIS OFFICER.

In the absence of Col. Aston from his regiment, Majors... Picton and Allen had a misunderstanding with a Lieuten... ant, which being communicated to Col. Aston, he wrote his... opinion, in a private letter, that the two Majors had acted... rather illiberally to the young man. This letter was shown; and... the opinion of the Colonel coming to the ears of Majors Picton... and Allen, they demanded a court of enquiry on their con... duct, which the Commander in Chief refused, as in the criti... cal posture of affairs, he thought it was not right the har... mony of the regiment should be disturbed. On Col. Aston's return... to the head-quarters, Major Picton called upon him for an... explanation of the term "illiberal." Colonel Aston said, he... could not think it necessary to answer for his public conduct... in the discharge of his duty as Colonel of his regiment to the... officers of his corps; but if Major Picton had any thing to... allege against him as a private Gentleman (which he believed... he was ready to give him every satisfaction in his power.)... Major Picton put it on the footing of a private quarrel, and... they met the next day with their seconds. Major Picton had... the first fire; his pistol snapped, and the seconds decided... that this was equal to a fire. Colonel Aston then fired his... pistol in the air, declaring that he had no quarrel with Major... Picton. Mutual explanations took place, and they shook hands.

Next day Major Allen also demanded satisfaction for the... private opinion which Colonel Aston had given of his conduct, and... precisely the same answer was returned. Colonel Aston... denied his right to call on him for any act in the discharge of... his regimental duty, but said, he was at all times ready to... vindicate his private conduct, but he was totally unconscious... of any injury or insult to Major Allen. The Major, however, was... vehement in his language, and insisted on satisfaction. He... made it even impossible for Colonel Aston to avoid it. They... met, and Major Allen had the first shot. The Colonel received... his fire, and shewed no sign of being hurt. The seconds... did not perceive that the ball had taken place: he stood erect, and... with the utmost composure levelled his pistol with a steady... arm, and shewed that he had it in his power to fire on his an... tagonist; he then leisurely drew back his pistol, and laying it... across his breast, said—"that he was shot through the body—... he believed the wound was mortal, and he therefore declined... to fire, for it should not be said of him, that the last act of... his life was an act of revenge."—He then sat down on the... ground; was carried home; and after languishing for a week... in excessive pain, but without a murmur, expired.

Colonel Harvey Aston, who lately fell in the East... Indies, was married to the lovely Miss Ingham, daughter... of Lady Ingram, and filiter to the Marchioness of... Hertford, Lady W. Gordon, Lady Ramden, and... Mrs Meynel. Colonel Aston was not more than four... and thirty years of age, remarkable for the graces of his... person. Mrs Aston is alive, and has a young family to... lament the melancholy catastrophe.

—HAMBURG MAIL—

RECEIVED ON SATURDAY.

MILAN—MAY 14.

The following letter of Field-Marshal Suwarrow has been... published here:—

On the 13th inst. at five o'clock in the morning, the French... were attacked by the Imperial and Russian army, in their... strong position between Turin and Coni. The battle was one... of the bloodiest, and lasted till night. It will be one of the... most remarkable in history, and terminated at last in our fa... vour.

The French have left 8000 men slain on the field; 6000 pri... soners are already in our power. We had 3000 men killed or... wounded. The French have lost almost all their artillery:—... 150 pieces of cannon and 200 ammunition waggons are already... in our possession; four of the enemy's Generals are taken pri... soners, among whom is the Commander in Chief, Moreau.

By this battle, the fate of Italy is decided, and the allies are... stationed on the frontiers of France.

MAY 15.

In the battle on the 13th, a great deal of French baggage... also fell into the hands of the allies.—Moreau, who was at first... reported to have effected his retreat, is said to be wounded.

Field-Marshal Suwarrow is said to have demanded the... deliverance of the Pope, under heavy menaces, of the province... of Dauphine.

FROM THE FRENCH PAPERS.

RECEIVED THIS MORNING.

PARIS, JUNE 2.—The report of the Spanish fleet having en... tered Toulon is perfectly unfounded, or, at least, that event is... unknown to Government.

A letter from Piedmont, dated the 20th of May, states, that... the Austrians and Russians are already at variance, and that... their misunderstandings and disputes increase every day.

JUNE 3.—The conscripts are repairing to the armies from... every department with the greatest demonstrations of joy and... patriotism.

General St Cyr is about to join the army of Italy, in which... he is to have a command.

**ARMY OF THE DANUBE.**

MASSENA, to the EXECUTIVE DIRECTORY of the French Re... public.

Head-quarters, Zurich, May 24.

CITIZENS DIRECTORS,

The enemy transported in the night of the 22d to the left... bank of the Rhine, a considerable force from Coblenz as far... as Kaiserslaut. He had, to conceal his movements, on the day... before, attacked my posts from Auddelangen to Vill. The ob... ject was to compel me to weaken the line of the Rhine, by... sending off detachments.

In the night I was informed of the passage of the river. I... suffered the enemy to involve himself, while I made every dis... position to attack him in the morning.

General Thureau was ordered to attack in front, on the... points from Coblenz to Zuzach, and I advanced on the flank... of the enemy, to make my attack on the side of Eglisay by... the way of Kaiserslaut. The action commenced at 10 morning... and the enemy was forced to retreat. We took 300 horses and... 500 Huns prisoners.

The enemy's attempt was bold, and was calculated to inter... cept the communication with Zurich. He lost a great num... ber of men in his retreat, who were drowned in attempting... to cross the river, as there was not sufficient time to construct... a bridge.

Head-Quarters, Zurich, May 26.

CITIZENS DIRECTORS,

On the 25th I repaired to Winter-Thur with my Chief of... the Staff, and directed the General of Division Oudinot, who... commanded the advanced guard, to push on to Friesenfeld, while... General Paillard was to attack the left of the enemy by... Auddelangen, and General Ney his centre by Adiken. General... Paillard was ordered to march with his division in three... points to support our attacks.

The enemy's advanced posts were carried by break of day, and... the action soon became general. The Austrians made a long... and vigorous resistance, but were defeated in every point, and... compelled to retreat with precipitation, although they were... protected by a more numerous cavalry than ours. A consi... derable number of them were drowned in fording the river on... the left of Adiken. General Paillard repulsed the enemy be... yond the bridge of Auddelangen, and took 500 prisoners. Ge... neral Ney took 200 more, and the column he engaged made a... precipitate retreat.

General Oudinot experienced a most obstinate resistance, and... our troops had been even repulsed, when General Soul... having arrived with two squadrons of the 13th dragons, and... the 23d demi-brigade of the line, decided the action in our fa... vour. These two Generals took 1800 prisoners, and two pieces... of cannon.

The result of our attack is the evacuation of the left bank... of the Thur by the enemy, the capture of one standard, two... pieces of cannon, and 2500 prisoners, among whom are Col... nel de Barco, Prince Hohenloe, and the Major of the regi... ment of Szeckler.

At the beginning of the battle, the hussars of that corps... asked our soldiers whether they would not give them quarter;... (the assassination of the French Plenipotentiaries recurred to... their memory)—"Think of defending yourselves," was the... reply of our gallant men. They defended themselves in fact... with vigour, and a terrible carnage of them took place. Thus... they were the first objects of the punishment of the most in... famous of crimes.

Our loss, including the wounded, may amount in all to 400... men. That of the enemy amounts to 2000, without inclu... ding the 2500 prisoners we took.

MASSENA.

Head-quarters, Zurich, May 28.

MASSENA, to the EXECUTIVE DIRECTORY of the French... Republic.

CITIZENS DIRECTORS,

Prince Charles having rejoined his army with a reinforce... ment of 12,000 men, engaged me yesterday on the line of the... Thur, with 30,000 men. He directed the attack in person, which... began at the break of day.

The efforts and obstinacy of the enemy were beyond all ex... pression, and our defence was equally so. Night did not put... an end to the action, which was continued till 10 o'clock. I... advanced to the Glat for the purpose of concentrating my force... more towards Zurich.

We made 800 of the enemy prisoners in the action of yester... day, and a great number were either killed or wounded.

General Ney, who commanded the advanced guard, received... two wounds, and had two horses killed under him. Ad... jutant General Leroy has been also wounded.

MASSENA.

N. B.—In a second letter, dated May the 29th, General... Massena gives the details of several actions which took place... in different points. The enemy has been defeated in every... quarter, and lost a considerable number of men, who were... left upon the field of battle. We took 700 prisoners.

MADRID—MAY 20.

We learn the fortunate news of the entry at St Antonio, on... the coast of Biscay, of two ships and four frigates, from Mexi... co, richly laden.

Admiral Massaredo has saved the French ship Le Censeur... of the Brest squadron, which had remained behind. When it... attempted to enter Cadix, several English ships surrounded it, and... forced it to run aground; all the gun-boats which were... in the port, by order of Massaredo, immediately put to sea, and... compelled the enemy to abandon their plans. The Cen... seur continued its route to Cadix, where it arrived.

VIENNA—MAY 18.

An English courier arrived from Constantinople has brought... intelligence, that on 30th of April an explosion took place on... board a Turkish frigate of 36 guns, by which it was blown up, an... English frigate of 40 guns sunk, and a Turkish armed... vessel damaged.

TURIN—MAY 21.

Notwithstanding the difficulty of the present circumstances, we... enjoy tranquillity. The national guard performs the ser... vice of the city, and the citadel is defended by the French.—... The insurrection which has broken out in Piedmont have not... penetrated as far as this place.

Moreau has transferred his head-quarters to Coni, and pre... serves his communication with France, receiving reinforce... ments daily. He has garrisoned the strong places, and the... enemies have hitherto only made themselves masters of Peschiera... and Pizzeghitone. General Ledoyer at Suza has been... joined by 20,000 men by the way of Mount Cenis.

An emigrant was yesterday shot in the citadel of Turin, who... had presented himself in the character of an Austrian officer... for the purpose of treating with the garrison.

**BANK STOCK.**

3 per cent. ann. 75 1/2 1/2

4 per cent. ann. 75 1/2 1/2

5 per cent. ann. 75 1/2 1/2

This day, (June 10) 12 o'clock—3 per cent. red.

5 per cent. ann. 59 1/2

—STOCKS.

INDIA STOCK

Long Ann. 10 1/2 13-16 1/2

Short ditto. 6 1/2 3-16

Omanum 34 1/2 3 1/2

—MARRIED—

At Putney Church, Surrey, on Thursday the 6th instant, Lieuten... ant-Colonel DRINKWATER, lately of the 2d battalion royal, to Miss CONGALTON, daughter of the late Charles Congalton, Esq. of Congalton; in East Lothian, North Bri... tain. Immediately after the ceremony the new married couple returned to Lord Minto's residence at Rochampton.

At Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 5th cur, Mr CHARLES CUNNINGHAM, writer in Edinburgh, to Miss ELIZABETH WEIR, daughter of the late John Weir of Karse, Esq.

At Bombay, on the 14th January, 1799, GEORGE KEIR, Esq. M. D. to Miss ELIZABETH M. GOODWIN.

—DIED—

At Edinburgh, on the morning of Saturday last, Miss MAR... garet Hay, daughter of the deceased Alexander Hay, Esq. of Mordington.

At Tynninghame, the 31st ultimo, in the 86th year of her age, Lady CHRISTIAN GRAHAM, relict of the deceased Thomas Graham, Esq. of Balgowan, and daughter of Charles, first Earl of Hopetoun.

On Monday, at Anderson, Mr JOHN FREELAND, linen printer there.

At Kirkcubbin parish of Kinross, on Saturday the 1st cur, Mrs ELIZABETH SCRODIE, widow of the Reverend Mr John Touch, late minister of Mortlach.

Lately, at Baillie's Ward, near Hunsly, AGNES BOYNE, widow, in the 106th year of her age.

**CORN EXCHANGE, LONDON, June 10.**

THE Corn Trade in general was exceeding dull to day, in con... sequence of the very favourable change in the weather. A few... prime samples of Wheat indeed were taken off at last week's... prices; but as a few cargoes of foreign have come in, and mostly of... good quality, the inferior and middling samples hang on hand, though offered at lower prices.

Barley is 6d per quarter cheaper, and seems likely to go lower, and Malt is extremely dull.

A good many Oats arrived at this day's market, which caused a heavy sale at last week's prices, though but few of the last supply remained on hand.

Beans continue much as late y; but fine Boiling Peas are in demand at high prices.

	s	d		s	d
English Wheat,	56	60	Malt,	40	44
Ellex,	52	65	Flax,	—	—
Barley,	32	34	Oats,	31	34
Suffolk,	—	35	Meal,	33	37
Fine Flour	48	50	Fine,	—	—

—SOUND LIST—

PASSED UPWARDS.

May 28. Concord, Moyes, from Gottenburg for Riga, her... rings.

On Sunday morning the Circe Frigate sailed from the Sound... downwards; the Ariadne and Astra frigates, also the Sally... armed ship, together with the Ichajiva Russian frigate, re... main in the Sound. By accounts from Norway we learn, that... there is a great number of French and Dutch privateers on the... coast. Wind N. W. blowing fresh.

ELSENUR, May 28.

HOWDEN & CO.

For remainder of Edinburgh news, see last page.

The statement of our commerce made by Mr Pitt in the House of Commons is highly flattering. The year 1792 was considered to be the most prosperous Britain ever saw; last year, however, has far exceeded it. No country in Europe can produce a similar case. To our navy we are greatly indebted for this proud pre-eminence, and these commercial advantages; for it is by the superiority of our power by sea that our trade to every quarter of the world is rendered secure.

Sir ALAN GARDNER has sailed from Ireland with sixteen fail of the line, to occupy the station off Cadiz. Earl St Vincent, when there arrive, will have in the whole fifty-one fail of the line under his command.

The Spanish fleet is still at Cadiz.

The accounts by the Hamburg mail, particularly from Italy, and those received through the French papers of the 3d instant, are totally at variance.—By the former we have what appears an official statement of an almost total defeat of Moreau's army on the 13th of May in the neighbourhood of Alessandria. The Paris accounts speak of the head-quarters of Moreau's army being at Coni ten days after this, waiting reinforcements, but make no mention of any action since the 12th; and yet it appears almost certain that such an event must have happened between the 12th and the 22d, to have obliged the French army, which had been so strongly posted at Alessandria, to retire so far as Coni, a distance of between 30 and 40 miles behind the former town.

The latest accounts respecting the armies in Italy, sent by Sir Morton Eden to Government, were dated on the 18th of May, from Vienna; in these, he speaks of the head-quarters of the allied army being on the 13th at Tortona; at which time the enemy were stationed at Alessandria, with 17,000 men, and the most active preparations were making to give them battle. Tortona and Alessandria are only nine miles distance from each other.

By the mail it appears, that a flying ramour of the action of the 13th had reached Vienna on the 22d, but it is certain the Court had not received any official dispatches on the following day, as Sir Morton Eden's last letter (see the London Gazette extraordinary of Thursday last) is of that date.

The King of Sweden has, in his character of Duke of Pomerania, formally joined the coalition.

A private letter from Copenhagen of the 28th ult. states also that Denmark has been called upon to follow the example of Sweden in furnishing its contingent for the Empire on the part of Holstein, &c.

In Switzerland, it appears by the German details, the Austrians, down to the date of the 22d of May, had made considerable progress, but Massena claims later advantages obtained.

The King of Prussia has ordered the suspension of all payments on account of Russia.

The Spanish Ambassador resident with the Cisalpine Republic, who remained at Milan, has been ordered to leave that place.

The French papers do not state any thing respecting the fleet at Toulon.

By a private letter from St Petersburg we learn, that the free exportation of corn from Russia is again permitted.

Exprefes have been sent off from the Admiralty, to all the principal sea-ports, for what purpose we have not been able to ascertain. Conjecture says, an embargo is the object; either to prevent the outward-bound merchantmen from falling in with the French squadron, which is stated to have lately sailed from Brest, or to guard against any intelligence respecting the secret expedition about to take place, reaching the enemy's shores.

The reformation of the House of Orange will be attempted, and no doubt effected, under the British armament equipping for that purpose. Transports for an army of not less than 20,000 men, with the necessary train of artillery, &c. are now preparing with all possible dispatch. The Prince Stadtholder will accompany this formidable armament in person.

Sir RALPH ABERCROMBY, Commander in Chief, set off this day for London, with his Secretary and Aid du Camp.

A professional Gentleman in Leith, has inoculated about 20 children, with the cow-pox, and has proved successful in all these cases.



We hear, that SHADRACH MOYSE, Esq. is appointed a Commissioner of the Customs, in room of JAMES ENGAR, Esq. deceased.

Yesterday, the first division of the North York Militia, commanded by Lord DUNDAS, arrived in Edinburgh from Glasgow, to do the garrison duty. When they left said place, they were accompanied with the regret of the inhabitants.

Same day, marched from Edinburgh, the first division of the Nottingham Militia; which, during its stay here behaved with the utmost propriety; and their services at the late fire here were equally prompt and beneficial. This regiment is gone to Glasgow.

Monday, the Ayrshire and Renfrewshire Militia marched through this city on their route from Linlithgow to Dunbar camp. The Lanarkshire and Dumfriesshire regiments have also marched to the same place from Musselburgh and Dalkeith. The Argyllshire Militia have marched from Paisley for Musselburgh.

The Norfolk Fencible Light Dragoons, quartered at Piershill barracks, have voluntarily extended their services to any part of Europe. By their late augmentation they now amount to eighty men a troop.

The Sprightly Berwick smack, lately captured by a French privateer, was not taken till after a chase of four hours, during which time she had her mainmast shot through 60 or 80 times, and her poop much damaged. In this dangerous situation the Captain lay upon his back and steered her. She was recaptured by the Rofe cutter, within a few leagues of Bergen, which hove in sight in the morning, and came up with her in a short time; but when the French sailors were taken out, and replaced by a few of our British tars, the Rofe found it difficult to keep up with her.

It is reported, that the Ceres, Bruc's, has been retaken, and, with the privateer by which she was captured, carried into Shields.

A question was lately determined by the Admiral of Leith, of considerable importance in ascertaining the free ingress and egress to the port of Leith.

Some gentlemen crossing over from Leith to Kinghorn in one of the passage boats, were flopt when going out of the harbour, by a vessel that was following them, sending a small boat with a rope to the pier, which passed a-head of the passage boat. When the boat approached to the rope, the owner of the vessel was asked to slack the rope, which he refused to do, and occasioned the boat to be detained for a considerable time.

The gentlemen complained to the Admiral of Leith, who found that no vessel was entitled to stop or intercept another when coming in or going out of the harbour, and the owner of the vessel was satisfied to pay a fine of two guineas, part of which went to the poor, and part to the crew of the passage boat.

Saturday morning, a young man of the name of CURRIE, was brought to town from St Monance, Fifeshire, and committed to the Canongate tolbooth. He is said to have been concerned in some of the shop-breakings lately committed in this city.

Three of the persons apprehended on suspicion of shop-breaking, as stated formerly, have been committed for trial. Their names are HOLMES, McLEOD, and HENDERSON—the latter a boy.

Yesterday a woman was found lying dead in Blair Street. She has long been known addicted to every species of dissipation. The body was carried to the Guardhouse.

The Catherine, Adamson, from Riga, is arrived in the Forth, under convoy of the Sally armed ship. Captain Adamson had a passage of 10 days from Elsinore, and reports, that the Concord, Captain MOYSE, from the Forth to the Baltic, passed the Sound the day before he came down, after being chased by a French privateer; two brigs that were in company with the Concord were taken, but does not know their names. Captain A. fell in with the last convoy from the Forth to the Baltic on Wednesday the 5th inst. off the Scaw.

#### SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

Arrived at New York, the Jean, Gardner, from Clyde.

#### CONVOY FOR THE BALTIC.

The Wright armed ship and a Cutter are appointed as a convoy for the Baltic trade, to sail from Leith Roads the first fair wind after the 15th instant.

No convoy yet appointed for the Elbe.

#### ARRIVED AT LEITH.

June 8. Helen, Burton, from Alcoa, spirits.  
10. Berwick Packet, Paterson, from London, goods—Leith Packet, Paton, from Dundee, ditto—Speedwell, Nicholson, from Aberdeen, ditto—William and Elizabeth, Swanston, from Inverness, grain—Jeremiah, Renny, from Farsound, goods—Industry, Currie, from Dunbar, grain—Lord Salton, Dalrymple, from Dublin, goods—Forster, Beattie, from Wilsbeach, wheat—Friendship, Milne, from Aberdeen, goods—Peggy and Christian, Murrie, from McDuff, grain—11. Kelpo Packet, Moor, from London, goods—Alexander, Miller, from Thurso, do—Laurentius, Aasbolen, from Eastercarr, timber—Charlotte, McLaren, from Alcoa, spirits—Favourite, Jeffrey, from Thurso, grain—Andrew and Ketty, Small, from Glasgow, goods—Four alops with coals.

#### CLEARED OUT.

11. Peggy, Spence, for Liverpool, brandy—Maria, Jamieson, for Glasgow—Nancy, Hempsley, for Stornaway—Peggy, Clark, for Dundee—Christian, Wishart, for Newcastle—Roxburgh Packet, Taylor, for London—Catherine and Isobel, Nairn, for Perth—Courtesy of Westmoreland, Smith, for Glasgow—all with goods.

#### FOREIGN ANIMALS.

To be seen for this week only, and no longer, at the Theatre—the Largest Collection of FOREIGN ANIMALS and BIRDS ever exhibited in this kingdom. The Collection consists of a most Stupendous Male Elephant, the largest ever seen in this kingdom; the sagacity and knowledge of this animal are beyond what the human imagination can suggest. A most beautiful Male Zebra, the only one to be seen alive in the kingdom, landed July 7, 1798. A fine Young Lion. Three Royal Tigers. Two beautiful Spotted Leopards. Three Hyenas. An Antelope. A South American Vulture, or Condor Minor, from the Brazils. A fine Young Pelican of the Wilderness.

They are well secured in strong iron dens, so that the most timorous person may approach them without fear or danger.—Admittance One Shilling.

#### HOUSE IN MANOVER STREET.

To be sold by auction, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 21st of July next, at two o'clock afternoon.

THE HOUSE No. 7, on the East Side of South Hanover Street, which belonged to, and was possessed by the deceased Mrs Forbes, being the second storey on the flat immediately above the shops, and entering from Rose Street. The house contains four rooms and a kitchen, with closets, &c. and three cellars belonging to it. It is well finished, in good order, and insured in the Phoenix Fire Office.

The purchaser will obtain possession immediately after the sale, and may have the gates in the house, and a large water cistern in one of the cellars, at a valuation if agreeable.

The premises may be seen every lawful day, from twelve till two o'clock.

For further particulars apply to Mess. Campbell and Mac Whinnie, North Hanover Street.

#### SALE OF LANDS IN FIFE.

To be sold by public voluntary roup, within the house of Alexander Davie, vintner at New Inn, upon Wednesday the 24th July next, betwixt the hours of twelve mid-day and one afternoon, (if not sooner sold by private bargain, of which notice will be given.)

THE LANDS OF NETHER DRUMS, lying in the parish of Falkland, and county of Fife, consisting of 39 acres Scots measure, or thereby, situated in the heart of a populous and thriving country, in the immediate neighbourhood of coal and lime, and bounded on the south by the great turnpike road leading from New Inn to Falkland. They are of a good heavy soil, and capable of great improvement. The lands are at present under lease to a substantial tenant for thirteen years from Martinmas next, at 63l. 15s Sterling of yearly rent, and are entitled to pasture and other servitudes on the Lomonds of Falkland, on a division whereof a considerable share will fall to this property.

Also to be sold, the following Acres, lying in and about the Burgh of Falkland—viz.  
Two and a Half Acres, possessed by William Beveridge and John Scott.

One Acre in the Corstet, possessed by John Williamson.  
One Acre or thereby, possessed by Robt. Jackson;—and about Two Acres of Outfield, possessed by William Muckarsie.  
The articles and conditions of sale are in the hands of Robert Johnston, writer in Cupar; to whom, or to the proprietor at Drums, application may be made for farther particulars.

#### LANDS IN THE COUNTY OF DUMFRIES.

There will be exposed to sale by public roup or auction, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 19th June next, betwixt the hours of one and three afternoon,

I. THE LORDSHIP AND ESTATE OF NEWBIE, with the Teinds and Patronage of the parish of Annan, and the very valuable Fishings in the River Annan and Solway Frith.

This Estate is remarkable for the beauty and advantages of its situation. It is bounded by the Solway Frith, for about two miles, and above three miles by the River Annan, which is navigable for a considerable way, and falls into the Frith within the limits of the estate. The great road from Dumfries to London passes through the lands, which extend within a few yards of the royal burgh of Annan. They hold of the Crown, and are valued in the cess books at 993 merks.

The estate consists of about 1221 Scots acres. The rental for the present year is 843l. 13s. Sterling. But as the leases of two considerable Farms expire with the ensuing crop, the rental may next year be considerably increased; and besides the expected rise on these, there are progressive rises on sundry of the other Farms by the subsisting leases, the longest of which expire in 15 years, when it is the general opinion of the country that the rent will be more than doubled. Great part of the land is of the first quality in the county of Dumfries, the whole is capable of much improvement, and a considerable part is in the state of nature. The Lands are within two miles of the great Lime Kilns of Kilhead, and lime and coals are brought from the English side at a very cheap rate. The Farm Steadings are good, and four of them on the principal Farms are new, which have superior accommodation.

The fishings of the estate extend in the River Annan for nearly four miles from the sea, and westward in the bed of the united Rivers of Eden, Esk, and Annan, and along the Frith to the foot of Locherwater, a distance of nine or ten miles. In that part of the Solway, not only the fishery of Salmon, but of all other kinds of fish are the exclusive right of the estate. Considerable improvements have been made by the present ingenious and spirited tenants, in the modes of catching the various kinds of fish; and these being inexhaustible, it is not doubted but in the course of the present lease, of which there are 10 years to run, these Fishings will be improved to a great value. The tenants are bound to lay out 300l. in clearing the Channel of the River Annan, for improving the Fishing there.

At the mouth of the river at Port Annan, there is a good harbour belonging to the Estate, with the deepest water and best accommodation for shipping in any part of the Solway Frith—There is a considerable Warehouse at the port for storing corn and various goods, and is now much used.

On the River Annan and in the Estate, there are complete Corn Mills, and various offers have been received for liberty to erect Machinery for Manufactures, for which, from the populousness of the neighbourhood, and the access to roads and to the sea, the situation is uncommonly well adapted.

There are 32 acres of thriving plantations on the Estate, about 18 years old. Various delightful situations may be chosen on the Lands for a Mansion House, and there are Quarries of excellent Stone on the grounds.

The purchaser will have an opportunity of adding to the property by purchasing lands in and about the town of Annan, which are to be exposed to sale soon after the time fixed for the sale of Newbie.

II. The Ten Pound LAND OF STAPLETON, and Teinds thereof lying in the parish of Dumfries, about two miles distant from Annan. The extent is about 85 Scots acres. It lies compact and has a fine exposure. A great part of the Lands is of excellent quality and the whole very improvable. The present leases, of which there are 9 years to run, were let when the lands were entirely open. March fences have now been made, and good farm houses built. The present rent is 353l. 15s. but at the end of the lease a great rise may be expected. The Lands of Stapleton hold of the Crown, and by an old retour they are proved to be a ten pound land of old extent, and consequently afford a Freehold Qualification.

They are valued in the cess-books at 490 merks.

III. The LANDS OF BROOMHILL, lying in the parish of Lochmaben, and near the Borough. They are bounded partly by the Broomhill or Halleath Lake, and partly by the river Annan, and Water of Kinnel, in which the tenants exercise their right of fishing salmon and trout without rent. The extent of these lands is about 265 acres, and they are possessed by four tenants who pay 120l. of rent. They are under lease partly for fifteen and partly for three years. They are pleasantly situated and very improvable. They hold of the Crown, and are valued in the cess-books at 171 merks.

Along with the Lands of Broomhill or separately, will be sold, nearly 3 acres of land, which lie in the Boroughroads of Lochmaben, and are possessed by Mrs Hoggan and John Miller, and also three houses and a yard possessed by Mrs Hoggan, and a house possessed by Robert Jardine, smith.

The lands will be shown by the different tenants, and for further particulars application may be made to William Stewart, at Hillside, near Lockerbie; Mr Keith accountant in Edinburgh, or Mr Craufurd Tait, writer to the signet, Edinburgh. The articles of roup, title deeds, and plans of the lands will be shown by Mr Keith or Mr Tait.

#### LANDS IN THE COUNTY OF ARGYLE.

To be sold by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Monday, June 17, 1799, at one o'clock afternoon.

THE LANDS AND ESTATE OF ASHFIELD, otherwise called LARGANAHUNCHEON, with the whole ISLAND and PERTINENTS, lying in the parish of North Knapdale, and shire of Argyll. The lands lie contiguous, and are situated on the west coast of Argyllshire, and on the side of the arm of the sea called Lochsweir, within five miles of the Crinan Canal. The arable ground, which is of considerable extent, is of good quality, and the hill ground, which is very extensive, stretching back about three miles from the shore, affords excellent pasture, equally adapted for sheep or black cattle. The shores, which extend about three miles along Lochsweir, produce considerable quantities of sea-ware, fit for kelp or manure. There is a good Mansion-house on the lands of Ashfield, and the farm houses, march dykes, and subdivisions are in good order. The lands are at present let to substantial tenants, on leases current for eight years from Whitsunday last. The nett rent, after deducting public burdens, is about 177l. but on the expiry of the present leases a very considerable rise may be expected.

Besides a very extensive natural wood, which is fit for cutting, there are on the estate several thriving and well enclosed plantations of fir, and other timber, about eighteen years old. The woods, being situated on the coast, may be transported to a market at a very little expence.—The upset price of this lot will be 4608l. 3s. 3d. 2-12ths.

The lands abound with black and red game, and rocs are to be found in the woods. In Lochsweir there are abundance of all kinds of sea fish, and several oyster banks.

Persons desirous of viewing the lands may apply to John Campbell, in Ashfield, or Alexander Campbell, wood-keeper; and for other particulars application may be made to William Parker, banker in Kilmarnock, Thomas Kibble, writer in Paisley, or Thomas Adair, W.S.

#### THE GENUINE DISTINGUISHED FROM COUNTERFEITS.

By the King's Patent.

MR R. JOHNSTON, Apothecary, No. 15. Greek Street, Soho, aware of the depredations made on every Public Medicine of established repute and extensive sale, respectfully informs the Nobility, Gentry, and Public, he has obtained the King's Patent for his Invention, not to recommend but to distinguish WHITEHEAD'S ESSENCE OF MUSTARD from spurious imitations.

Five years have now elapsed since Mr Johnston first made known to the world this very extraordinary Medicine. During this short period its efficacy has been so clearly demonstrated that its sale has infinitely exceeded any former example. Comparatively, there are few families which have not either heard of or experienced its beneficial effects; and with heartfelt satisfaction he has the happiness to declare WHITEHEAD'S ESSENCE OF MUSTARD has cured more persons afflicted with Rheumatism, Gout, Lumbago, Palsy, Complaints of the Stomach and other Painful Maladies, than all the medicines ever before made public. It has obtained the approbation of many eminent men of the Faculty, and honoured with the unsolicited support and recommendation of the first families in the kingdom.

As the bottles, boxes, labels, and bills of direction of this original medicine are closely copied, and the words "By Royal Authority," artfully substituted for the words "By the King's Patent," it may elude common observation: Mr Johnston therefore recommends the afflicted to be particular in the purchase.

Whitehead's Essence of Mustard, is prepared and sold, in Pills and in a fluid state, at 2s. 9d. each box or bottle, by the Inventor, R. Johnston, apothecary and chemist, No. 15. Greek Street, Soho, London. It is distinguished from counterfeits "By the King's Patent," and the signature "R. Johnston," in his own hand-writing, on each label; sold also by his appointment, by ANDREW SMITH, No. 38. North Bridge, Husband, Elder, and Co. R. Scott, apothecary, Wm. Rieburn, and T. Spence, Edinburgh; Phorson, Berwick; Allan, Dundee; Inglis and Dixon, Dumfries; McIntosh & Co. Inverness; Craigie, Montrose; Cave, Banff; Mitchell, Aberdeen; Meunons and McDonald, Glasgow.

#### CHILBLAINS.

N. B. The Fluid Essence immediately allays their tormenting itching, and will assuredly prevent them from breaking, even when turned quite black; and if used according to the directions, will absolutely cure them by three or four applications.

#### By Adjournment.

SALE OF THE LANDS AND ESTATE OF PORTLETHEN AND OTHERS, in the County of Kincardine, AND OF THE LANDS OF CLAYHILLS, in the County of Aberdeen.

That upon Monday the 24th of June next, there will be sold by public roup (if not previously disposed of by private bargain) within the house of William Gordon, vintner in Aberdeen, at six o'clock in the evening.

THE Lands and Barony of PORTLETHEN, and part of the Lands of FINDON and COOKSTON, lying in the parish of Banchnory Devenick, and county of Kincardine, in one Lot; and if no person appears to offer therefor, the said Lands will be immediately thereafter exposed to sale, in the following Lots:—

Lot I.—The lands and barony of Portlethen, mill, mill land, multure, and sequel, with the sea-port, and whole customs thereof, and the white fishings in the sea, adjacent to said lands; also the Superiority and Feu-duties of the lands of Balquharn and Clashfarguach.

Lot II.—These parts of the lands of Findon and Cookston, called East Cookston, denominated lot 2d of said lands.

Lot III.—These parts of the said lands of Findon and Cookston, called sea town of Findon, denominated lot 9th of said lands.

Lot IV.—The lands called CLAYHILLS, comprehending croft of Clayhills, Elfishollock, Clayhills croft, two rigs or crofts of land of Clayhills, and Cuttings, all lying in the parish of Old Machar, and county of Aberdeen.

The lands of Portlethen hold of the crown, and afford a Freehold Qualification.—The lands of Findon and Cookston hold feu of Gordon's Hospital, for payment of an elusory feu-duty, without any other casualty. On lots 1st and 3d are two very thriving and populous fishing towns. The new turnpike road, from Aberdeen to Stonehaven, runs through part of lot 2d; and the whole of lot 1st, 2d, and 3d, are about equal distances from these towns.—Lot 4th holds altogether of the town of Aberdeen, except the Cuttings, which holds of the Marischal College, and is liable to no feu-duty.—On this lot, a manufacture of pantyles and brick, has been long and successfully carried on, and from the improvements that will in all probability soon take place in the town of Aberdeen, may be very much extended; there is also a manufacture of black and brown stoneware, established and carried on with success, which being the only one in this country, may be also greatly extended; and the supply of clay for both is inexhaustible. The lands lie on the banks of the Des, and the tide flowing up to them, gives an easy and cheap conveyance of all materials for the brick work, and pottery, and for shipping the manufacture. There is also a stream of water, with a considerable fall, which may be turned to a very great account, and may be used very successfully for a distillery or brewery, for both of which there are several admirable situations communicating with the harbour.—On this lot are two very good dwelling houses, besides that possessed by the tacksman of the pottery, and a large stable, barn, and other offices, and a number of houses possessed by the servants at the work. The lands lie within a quarter of a mile of the town of Aberdeen, to which there are good roads, and easy access.

Lots 1st, 2d, and 3d, will be shown by Alex. Gerard at Cookston, and lot 4th by Francis Gerard at Clayhills.

The writs and articles of roup are in the hands of William Dingwall Fordyce, advocate in Aberdeen, to whom, or to John Morrison, W.S. Edinburgh, persons desirous of rentals, or further information, are requested to apply.

#### SALE OF KINNORDY AND INVERCARITY,

In the County of Forfar.

To be sold by public voluntary roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 8th day of July 1799, betwixt the hours of one and two o'clock afternoon.

THE LANDS AND ESTATES OF KINNORDY AND INVERCARITY, lying in the parish of Kermymuir and county of Forfar, in the two following Lots, viz.

Lot I.—The Lands and Estate of KINNORDY, with the farm of KINTYRIE, comprehending the mansion-house, office-houses, and garden of Kinnordy, as laid down and delineated on a plan and measurement thereof, lately made out by Mr Ainslie, land surveyor, whereby it appears that this lot contains 2704 acres.

The mansion-house and offices of Kinnordy are lately built and erected upon a very extensive plan, elegantly finished, and in a complete state of repair. The garden was within these few years made out at a great expence, having a large hot-house and hot walls, well stocked with fruit trees of the best kinds, producing great quantities of fruit.

The mansion-house of Kinnordy is situated within an English mile of the very thriving market town of Kermymuir, six miles of the county town of Forfar, and sixteen of the large sea port town of Dundee.

In this lot is also included the Loch of Kinnordy, which contains marle of an excellent quality, supposed to be inexhaustible, and for which there is a constant demand.

The proprietor has a heritable right to the teinds which are valued, and the Minister obtained an augmentation only eighteen months ago. The Church and Manse are new and substantial, and in a complete state of repair. 10,000 of the price of this lot must remain with the purchaser at the legal interest, in order to answer a life rent annuity.

Lot II.—The Lands and Estate of INVERCARITY, so far as delineated on Mr Ainslie's plan by which they contain 1161 acres, with the ancient Castle and Garden of Invercarity, delightfully situated upon the banks of the waters of Esk, Prosen and Carity, and where they all conjoin. The beautiful and very romantic situation of this place is too well known to require any description, and upon which there are very extensive woods and plantations, all in the most thriving condition and of great value. The Farms of Wester Shieldhill, Queich, Auchnagray, Turfachie, and Cossacks, are also included in this lot, and the state of the teinds, &c. is the same as lot first, excepting such of the last-mentioned farms as are situated in the parish of Tannadycie, the teinds of which are exhausted by payment of Tannadycie's stipend.

Plans and measurements of these estates, by Mr Ainslie, with the title deeds, tacks, and rentals thereof are to be seen in the hands of Mr Proctor at Glamis Castle, or Thomas Duncan, writer in Edinburgh, who have power to treat by private bargain, before the day of sale.

#### DESERVED.

FROM THE THIRD REGIMENT OF FOOT GUARDS, ROBERT CAMPBELL, late Sergeant in that Regiment, but deserted when on furlough in Caithness, in January 1798. He was born at Thurso in Caithness, is aged 33 years, six feet high, fair complexion, and blue eyes, stout made, and pitted with the small pox. He was seen at Thurso on the 3d of May 1799.—Whoever will apprehend the said Robert Campbell, and lodge him in any of his Majesty's jails, shall receive FIVE GUINEAS Reward, by applying to the Commanding Officer of the Recruiting Party, or Sergeant Small, at Edinburgh.

#### SALE OF LANDS IN EAST LOTHIAN.

By Adjournment.

At the desire of persons intending to purchase, To be sold by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 3d day of July next, betwixt the hours of one and two o'clock afternoon.

THE FOLLOWING VERY VALUABLE LANDS AND ESTATES in the County of Haddington, viz.

THE LANDS AND ESTATE OF FANTASSIE, LINTON, and HOUSTON, with the Mill of Linton, all as at present under lease to Mr George Rennie, with the Waulkmill of Houston, possessed by Andrew Meikle, lying in the parish of Prestonkirk.

The Village of Linton is situated upon this Estate, a great part of which belongs to the proprietor. There is also a very fine Limestone Quarry upon these Lands, which Mr Rennie, the tacksman is entitled to work to a certain extent, and does work accordingly, affording an abundant supply of lime, not only for his own farm but also for sale; but the proprietor is also entitled to work if he so incline, either for sale or for manuring his other grounds.

These Lands are delightfully situated upon the banks of a river in the richest and most beautiful part in East Lothian, and on the great coast road from Edinburgh to London, between Haddington and Dunbar; and they are only about eighteen miles from Edinburgh, and six from Haddington. They contain about 473 acres of rich land, all in the highest state of cultivation, and produce wheat of the best quality.—There are also between 50 and 60 acres of Common belonging to this part of the estate, subject to certain servitudes of pasture.

Also, the LANDS AND ESTATE OF EAST FORTHWY, and MYRESIDE, and the Lands called GOODFELLOW, LAND, lying in the parish of Athelstoufford, and at present possessed by John and James Howdens, consisting of about 675 acres, chiefly of rich infield ground.

These Lands are likewise very beautifully situated about five miles to the north-east of Haddington, in the heart of a rich and pleasant country; and are only about two miles distant from the above-mentioned lime quarries.

The tack duty of both the above properties, which at present only amounts to from 900l. to 1000l. per annum, consists chiefly of wheat, barley, and oats, but which, by the leases, are converted into money, and payable by the tenants, at the rate of the highest farms in the county of Haddington.

Both of the above properties are situated in the heart of a coal country; and it is supposed that veins of coal may be found in each, but particularly in the lands of East FORTHWY, which are but a few miles distant from coal pits; and from their particular situation, were coal to be discovered in them, it would yield to the proprietor from 2000l. to 3000l. per annum, beside the rent of the lands.

The present rent of these properties is no rule by which to estimate their value, as the leases were obtained under particular circumstances, and for premiums paid by the tenants; but were the present leases expired, it is thought that these lands would yield at least twice the present rent, independently of the chance of coal, and there are few estates more advantageously situated.

The farm-houses and offices are the property of the proprietor, and the tenants are bound to leave them in good repair.

Both properties hold of the Crown, and stand valued in the cess-books at 2196l. 18s. 4d. Scots. This valuation is calculated to afford five freehold qualifications within the county of Haddington.

The title-deeds, and plans of the estate, may be seen in the hands of James and Alexander Frasers, writers to the signet, to whom, or Alex. Shand, or Alex. Crombie, advocates in Aberdeen, application for further particulars may be made, and who will communicate rentals of the lands, and copies of the present leases.—The tenants on the respective farms will show the grounds.

The Lands are to be exposed together, not in lots, as formerly proposed.

#### SALE OF LANDS

IN THE STEWARTRY OF KIRKPATRICK, To be sold by public roup, within the King's Arms Tavern in Dumfries, upon Tuesday the 27th day of August 1799, betwixt the hours of 11 and 12 at noon.

THE LANDS FOLLOWING, viz.

I.—THE FARM OF LANDIS and WHITENOCK, possessed by Margaret Sprot and James Copland, on tacks; that of Landis current to Whitsunday 1801—at a rent of 1250 0 0 And that of Whitenock, to Whitsunday 1806—at a rent of 99 0 0

And containing together about 127 acres.

II.—THE FARM OF MARYFIELD and BRIDGECROFT, with the new Flax Mill thereon. Maryfield is possessed by George Carruthers, on a tack current to Whitsunday 1805—at a rent of 120 0 0

And, with the Bridgecroft, contains about 101 acres. The Bridgecroft and flax mill are out of lease, but may fairly be stated at a rent of 60 0 0

L. 140 0 0

The above lands hold of a subject superior for payment of a small feu-duty, and are valued in the Cess-books at 168l. 10s. Scots.

III.—THE FARM OF TROSTON, possessed by John Craig, on a tack current to Whitsunday 1808, at a rent of L. 70 0 0 containing about 512 acres, hold of a subject superior for payment of 10s. sterling of feu-duty, and is valued at 512 0 0.

The above three farms are situated in the parish of Newbarn.

IV.—THE FARM OF MEIKLE AUCHENFAD, possessed by Alexander Herries, on tack current to Whitsunday 1808, at a rent of 80l. containing about 254 acres.

V.—THE FARM OF MILLHILL and LITTLE AUCHENFAD, possessed by John Thomson, on tack current to Whitsunday 1807, at a rent of 140l. containing about 375 acres.

VI.—THE FARM OF NETHER LOSHES and CATOAK, possessed by John Aitken and William Carnochan, on tack current to Whitsunday 1808, at a rent of 37l. containing about 51 acres.

VII.—THE FARM OF WHITEHILL, possessed by John Herries, on tack current to Whitsunday 1808, at a rent of 41l. containing about 109 acres.

VIII.—THE FARM OF CRAIGBILL, possessed by John Brown, on tack current to Whitsunday 1808, at a rent of 36l. containing about 124 acres. Along with this lot will be sold, the plantation on Craighill-hill, extending to about 333 acres.

IX.—THE MAINS OF MABIE, possessed by John Gars, on tack current to Whitsunday 1806, at a rent of 60l. containing about 99 acres.

X.—THE FARM OF BUTTERHOLE, possessed by George Rigg, on tack current to Whitsunday 1800, at a rent of 41l. containing about 129 acres.

XI.—THE FARM OF WHUNNYHILL, possessed by George Rigg, on tack current to Whitsunday 1800, at a rent of 30l. containing about 103 acres.

The eight last mentioned farms hold of the Crown, and are situated within the parish of Troquaire.

The woods on Landis, Maryfield, Mains of Mabie, and Butterhole, are valuable and thriving.

The houses and offices on the above lands, have in general been lately built, are well adapted to such farms, and mostly slated. And most of the farms are well enclosed and subdivided. The soil is in general good, and capable of great improvement. And the lands lie from four to seven miles from Dumfries, and have all convenient access to water carriage at Laggall, and Newbarn ports.

The tiends of the whole lands advertised, are valued; and the stipend to the ministers of Newbarn and Troquaire, as well as the valued rent, will be proportioned among the farms, agreeable to the present rents.

The title-deeds, and articles of roup, may be seen in the hands of Hugh Corrie and James Gilchrist, writers to the signet, Edinburgh; and copies thereof in the hands of Thomas Goldie and Robert Threshie, writers in Dumfries; and plans of the lands may be seen at Kirkcunhill House.

The tenants will show the lands.